



Idaho Crop Progress and Condition

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Small Grain Harvest Continues

Agricultural Summary

Temperatures across the state ranged from four degrees below normal to four degrees above normal for the week. Several weather stations in the northern and eastern districts of the state reported rain. Major agricultural activities for the week include caring for livestock, cutting alfalfa, and harvesting small grains, legumes and potatoes.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture is at 7% very short, 31% short, 62% adequate, and 0% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

Field Crop Report

Dry beans are being cut in Twin Falls County but have not been combined yet, according to the University of Idaho extension. Some farm operators in Franklin County are completing the third cutting of alfalfa earlier than normal in hope of getting a 4th cutting. The percentage of the potato crop with vines dying or killed trails last year and the five year average by eleven and twenty-five percentage points, respectively. The second cutting of alfalfa is ninety-five percent complete at the state level. The third cutting of alfalfa trails last year and the five year average by sixteen and eighteen percentage points, respectively.

Condition Table

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Spring Wheat	--	1	9	77	13
Barley	--	1	11	65	23
Potato	--	--	12	74	14
Range and Pasture	--	8	29	47	16
Irr. Water Supply	--	1	4	40	55

Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2011	2010	Avg.
Potato Vines Dying/Killed	20	31	45
Oats Harvested for Grain	64	70	76
Onions Harvested	15	29	23
Dry Peas Harvested	27	69	87
Dry Beans Harvested	10	31	37
Lentils Harvested	20	63	80
Alfalfa 4 th cutting	--	21	16
Corn Harvested for Silage	4	8	9
Mint 1 st Cutting	98	93	97

Crop Progress District Table

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2011	2010	Avg	2011	2010	Avg	2011	2010	Avg	2011	2010	Avg	2011	2010	Avg
Winter Wheat Harvested.....	88	91	96	100	100	100	99	83	96	89	92	95	91	91	96
Spring Wheat Harvested.....	43	64	83	99	99	100	94	72	93	61	46	67	62	55	75
Barley Harvested.....	44	76	86	99	100	99	90	72	90	60	55	63	68	62	73
Potato Harvested.....	NA	NA	NA	31	32	30	2	6	10	1	1	1	3	4	5
Alfalfa															
Second Cutting	99	96	95	100	100	100	100	100	100	90	100	96	95	100	98
Third Cutting	NA	NA	NA	80	96	86	57	84	84	8	16	27	43	59	61

Avg (2006 – 2010); NA = Very small percentage of acreage in district.

Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, September 4, 2011 ^{1/}

Station	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation		Since Mar 1 Precipitation		Growing Degree Days Since March 1		
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Base 40 Total	Base 50 Total	Base 50 DFN
North											
Coeur D' Alene	93	44	65	-2	0.18	-0.10	13.14	2.73	2836	1522	-344
Grangeville	86	41	62	2	0.24	-0.13	17.50	3.66	2692	1424	25
Lewiston	101	48	70	1	0.04	-0.17	7.93	1.58	3793	2179	-261
Porthill	90	39	62	2	0.60	0.25	10.17	1.23	2747	1416	-70
Winchester	84	35	58	0	0.14	-0.14	14.68	1.25	2088	962	2
Southwest											
Boise	89	42	65	-3	0.00	-0.14	7.54	2.26	3538	2012	-335
Emmett	96	45	68	3	0.00	-0.14	7.97	2.78	3496	2037	-226
Glenns Ferry	96	40	68	1	0.00	-0.13	7.68	3.59	3589	2152	-120
Grandview	92	36	65	-4	0.00	-0.14	4.63	1.18	3567	2045	-491
Nampa	87	41	66	-2	0.00	-0.14	4.52	-0.07	3526	2050	-309
Parma	94	40	68	3	0.00	-0.16	5.19	0.19	3659	2128	-106
South Central											
Fairfield	86	31	58	-2	0.00	-0.16	4.67	-1.31	2230	1080	-223
Malta	92	31	63	-2	0.00	-0.21	6.90	0.34	2868	1566	-215
Picabo	86	36	62	2	0.00	-0.14	6.08	0.59	2668	1456	42
Rupert	92	39	64	1	0.00	-0.14	5.14	0.45	2950	1627	-202
Twin Falls	91	41	64	3	0.00	-0.14	6.13	1.38	3172	1807	61
East											
Aberdeen	89	36	63	3	0.00	-0.14	3.64	-1.31	2847	1565	12
Ashton	84	33	59	1	0.06	-0.22	9.59	-0.04	2243	1087	-105
Fort Hall	91	35	64	1	0.00	-0.20	8.87	2.40	2879	1574	-167
Idaho Falls	89	37	65	4	0.00	-0.19	5.91	0.04	2966	1643	3
Lava Hot Springs	87	34	63	-1	0.16	-0.04	13.57	7.10	2696	1480	-261
Montevieu	87	32	61	0	0.00	-0.18	3.88	-1.83	2434	1223	-330
Preston	89	43	67	4	0.15	-0.06	12.29	4.53	3056	1747	-77
Rexburg	87	30	61	3	0.02	-0.19	7.76	0.59	2460	1218	-54

1/ Summary based on NWS data. DFN = Departure From Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit www.awis.com or call 1-888-798-9955.